# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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ENROLMENT OF YOUTH IN UNIVERSITIES
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether only about 6% of youth between the age 18-24 are in universities in the country;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the rate of university enrolment in India is very low as compared to the other countries;

(d) if so, whether the UGC has any plans to increase this percentage of enrolment in the universities; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (c): According to the Human Development Report, 2000of the World Bank, of the relevant age group population only 6% are enrolled for higher education in India as compared with relevant age group in higher education which is 80% for USA, 50% for United Kingdom and 25-31% for European and fast developing countries.

(d) & (e): In the 10th Five Year Plan proposals prepared by the Ministry of Human Resource Development for development ofhigher education, it has been proposed to bring the level of enrolment of the relevant age group in the higher education to 10% by focusing on the following areas:

- increase in number of institutions;
- increase in intake capacity; and
- convergence of formal, non-formal distance and IT education institutions.